

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/JP03/03613

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int.Cl⁷ C12N15/12, C07K14/78, A61K38/39, A61P9/00

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
GENBANK/DDBJ/GENESEQ, PIR/SWISSPROT, BIOSIS/MEDLINE/WPIDS (STN),
JSTPLUS (JOIS)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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X	INOUE S. et al., Identification of a novel gene involved in the pathogenesis of cardiac hypertrophy in rats. Circulation Journal, 31 March, 2002 (31.03.02), 66(Supplement 1), page 765	1-7
X A	WO 01/74901 A2 (STANTON Lawrence W), 11 October, 2001 (11.10.01), & US 2002/110804 A	1-3 4-7
A	JOSHUA E.L.G. et al., Nitric oxide mediated induction of cytochrome c oxidase mRNA and protein in a mouse macrophage cell line. Neuroscience Letters, 200, 288, pages 107 to 110	1-7

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.
 ☐ See patent family annex.

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A. 発明の属する分野の分類 (国際特許分類 (IPC))

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B. 調査を行った分野

調査を行った最小限資料 (国際特許分類 (IPC))

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最小限資料以外の資料で調査を行った分野に含まれるもの

国際調査で使用した電子データベース (データベースの名称、調査に使用した用語)

GENBANK/EMBL/DBJ/GENESEQ

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C. 関連すると認められる文献

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☒ C欄の続きにも文献が列挙されている。☐ パテントファミリーに関する別紙を参照。

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